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Re: Allowed U.S. Issue Fee Patent Application
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For: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PROVIDING CONTACT TO A
FIRST POLYSILICON LAYER IN A FLASH MEMORY DEVICE**
Inventors: CHANG *et al.*
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In response to the **Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due** dated January 20, 2012, the following documents are transmitted for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Issue Fee Transmittal (Form PTOL-85);
2. Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance; and
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